

THE MISSIONARY HELPER

THE WAYS

*To every man there openeth
A Way, and Ways and a Way,
And the High Soul climbs the High Way,
And the Low Soul gropes the Low,
And in between, on the misty flats,
The rest drift to and fro.
But to every man there openeth
A High Way, and a Low,
And every man decideth
The Way His Soul shall go.*

—John Oxenham, in "The King's Highway"

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"Still must we hope what we believe
And what is given us receive,
Must still believe, for still we hope

OUR PENNANT AND MOTTO



COLORS—Blue and Gold

That in a world of larger scope
What here is faithfully begun
Will be completed, not undone."

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Such engaging, varied and comprehensive stories of meetings at Ocean Park are told in this number by Misses Waterman, Porter and Rand, that little is left for the Editor's pen. Details of the year's work will be told in the November HELPER, in a continued story that is full of joy in service and successful results, in spite of the notes of sorrow and hardship and misunderstanding that must come to us all—and be overcome. As always, the greatest pleasures were linked with the reunion of friends and fellow workers. We missed Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Cheney, Mrs. Webber, Miss Deering, and other comrades, and believe that Mrs. Cheney expressed the feeling of all when she wrote, "Please tell the dear friends how I long to be with them. With the advancing years I have come to appreciate the emphasis which the Apostle John placed on *love* as a great power in the church and among Christians. Though absent, my heart turns with loving thought and greeting to the many friends with whom I have been associated in Christian work, and to all I send kindest greetings." We were so happy to have our foreign missionaries, Miss Gowen and Miss Coe, with us; also President and Mrs. McDonald, from Storer College, and Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook, from Howard University. Among the many good and notable things that Mrs. Cook is doing is her service as member of the Board of Directors and Recording Secretary of the Juvenile Protective Association, a practically new thing in Washington, working under the auspices of the Juvenile Court, whose Judge is its President. Its membership includes Catholics, Jews and Protestants, and its Board of Directors is unique in its personnel, including Miss Lathrop of the Children's Bureau, Mr. George Wilson of the Charities Board, and other distinguished persons. To us this grouping means simply an expression of a truth in which our fathers believed and for which they sacrificed, a movement toward the true freedom,—the freedom of each individual, man or woman, to be and give his best. Three years ago last August, Mrs. Cook read a beautiful poem, "Christus Consolator," at the service for Mrs. Wade in Porter Memorial Hall. That poem appears in this HELPER, under "In Memoriam," above the name of Mrs. Cook's own dear mother.....One who has been a faithful attendant of the various meetings at Ocean Park says, "A new note has crept into everything—the morning meetings, sermons, addresses. What before the war was theoretical is now experimental. One feels the power and thrill of it." And one of our workers said, "The addresses by Mr. Harry

Myers of New York and Dr. A. W. Anthony of Maine were the finest and most inspirational war-time utterances I have heard.".....Many loyal and appreciative things were said about our HELPER by both men and women. Dr. Mary wrote, June 20th, "What should we do without THE MISSIONARY HELPER? Its monthly visit is like a friendly hand stretched out across the waters to clasp ours, with the message, 'Be of good cheer, you are remembered and loved over here.'" In a letter just received, dear Mrs. Burkholder writes, "I am sending you \$5.00 as a thank offering for the recovery of my sight, which enables me to read with ease. For nearly three years I have been almost wholly denied this privilege. I can now read the dear little monthly visitor. Long may it live—our dear HELPER! It has done a world of good, and is the last tie that binds us together as F. B.'s." She adds, "I felt perfectly satisfied in leaving my work in Mrs. Holder's and Miss Daniels' hands. They are a strong team." Surely we all sing praises because of the restored vision of Mrs. Burkholder—the "Mother of THE MISSIONARY HELPER," as she has long been called. By the way, our magazine is forty years old. Shall we not do something special to celebrate its ruby anniversary?.....We urge each auxiliary to make careful preparation for the program suggested under Helps for Monthly Meetings—"Our Work in the Orient." Please read "Received," also note the *new* addresses on the third page of cover, to which we must send for study books, leaflets and other literature. Send stamp for the catalog of publications and find out what a wealth of material is ready to help us. We welcome Miss Noble's enthusiastic message in these pages and feel sure that our girls will be happy to respond.....At a late date word comes of the passing on of Rev. E. B. Stiles, one-time missionary to India, and always full of missionary zeal. "His name and life are written into the religious history of New Hampshire, never to be erased," one of his co-workers wrote, and, "If there was any outstanding feature in his symmetrical life, it was his *friendliness*.".....Miss Ruth Daniels writes from Midnapore, "Won't you everyone join with me, and those of us who are working in this section of India, in praying that there may be a great revival among the Bengali people?".....Next month we expect to present some interesting articles from our Storer friends.

GLIMPSES OF ANNUAL MEETING

By JESSIE L. WATERMAN.

All the "indications" forecast the forty-fourth annual meeting of the F. B. W. M. S. as one of unusual warmth and enthusiasm. Warmth there certainly was, but the fierce heat of the preceding week gave way and "the night before" brought a refreshing ocean breeze, restoring temperature and sojourners to normal conditions of comfort.

To a late comer who had experienced neither the pleasures nor the fatigue of Board meetings, the anticipated reunion with comrades began in the early twilight. There seemed to be an unusual number of folks,— "our folks"—astir and a rumor that "the band is going to serenade the Governor" brought a crowd to the grove around "Tanglewood." This time, however, the object of the people's homage was not His Excellency but the Rev. W. R. Wood, pastor of Penny Memorial Church, Augusta, who was occupying the Milliken home. The band of the Cutts Avenue Church, Saco, some twenty strong, men and boys, paid this graceful tribute to their former pastor. In the witchery of light and shadow among the pines, we first gave "the glad hand" to our president, our recording secretary, members of the Thank Offering committee and other well-known workers,—a dear midsummer night's reality—no dream.

Blue and sunny skies ushered in the day of annual meeting and the prayer room in Jordan Memorial Hall was well filled at 9 o'clock for the inspirational service led by Miss Lena S. Fenner of Rhode Island. Her subject, "Our Mothers," was presented in a unique and suggestive way.

Promptly at ten o'clock the business meeting was called to order in the main room by the president, Mrs. L. P. Durgin of Minnesota, and opened with singing. Prayer was offered by Miss Jessie Waterman of New Hampshire. Before the reports, while items of business were being finished, we had the pleasure of seeing the floral decorations grow under the deft fingers of Miss Ada Foss. The beautiful blue banner with its artistic Old English letters, F. B. W. M. S., in gold, was already in place above the alcove with the pennants on the right wall. On the organ were "the colors" to which we are called,—blue perennial larkspur, brightened by most marvelous golden begonias. The reading desk was made beautiful with ferns and sweet peas of royal colors.

The items of business of immediate interest were the report of the president on our relations with the Woman's American Baptist *Home*

Mission Society. The legal organization of the F. B. W. M. S. is continued to care for our trust funds. There are now more than 400 Life Members, and T. O. sums may be used as heretofore to add others; our HELPER is to be continued, also the work of field agents as needed; three women,—a Free Baptist, a Baptist and another selected by these two,—constitute a committee of reference for the adjustment of any questions arising in connection with our united work.

The reports of officers and committees were of even more than usual interest. That of our corresponding secretary, Miss Lena S. Fenner, gave the news "from the firing line." This is Storer's "Year of Jubilee,"—fifty years of steadily increasing equipment and usefulness, culminated this year in the largest bequests ever received, the largest classes graduated in West Virginia, the largest devotion and enthusiasm in both teachers and students. Mrs. Louise Brackett after 50 years of service has retired from her official connection with the school. A resolution expressing the deep regard felt for her and her far-reaching work was passed. Gifts that would be acceptable to Storer are quilts and blankets, books of good fiction for the Dexter library in Myrtle Hall and instructive and interesting games for the girls. Shall we not as auxiliaries and individuals provide for these needs in our Christmas giving?

In India the past year has been a trying one. War conditions, the high cost of food and the home coming of valued workers have all increased the problems our missionaries have had to face. Miss Coombs refers to her work as "patchwork," and in its variety the characterization is appropriate; but we know that the unifying thread of "this one thing I do," binds all into a harmonious whole.

Dear Mrs. Burkholder, seventy years young, after fifty years of service unexampled in devotion and endurance, has returned home and is with a married daughter in northern Minnesota. Mrs. Ida Holder and "Baby Doris," have done evangelistic work with marked success; Miss Ruth Daniels ranked highest of all the pupils in the Calcutta Language School and has done educational work; while Miss Amy Porter has superintended both Hindu and Christian schools. Miss Barnes is well and happy in her work in Jellalore. Dr. Mary's work in Sinclair Orphanage has been considerably broken up because of Miss Gowen's home coming and the death of Miss Butts. How to make 75 rupees do the work of 80 has been one of her chief perplexities.

With loving reverence we write the name of Ella May Butts, the Re-

sourceful, the Undaunted, who had completed thirty years of lavish service and slipped away leaving her deeds recorded only in the hearts of those who loved her. Her last message was but the expression of her outreaching and sympathetic heart,—“Give my love to everybody.”

Mrs. Chapman's spicy and comprehensive report as superintendent of the Bureau of Missionary Intelligence, showed the large demands made upon it for literature and other supplies. After thirteen years of service, loving, prompt and painstaking, Mrs. Chapman is passing over her work to the literature department of the W. A. B. F. M. S., Ford Building, Boston.

Mrs. Hartley gave a stimulating report of the Cradle Roll work and briefly outlined the organization of children's work under the new regime. She will gladly correspond with Cradle Roll Superintendents regarding the new methods of work.

The report of the Editor of the MISSIONARY HELPER was optimistic while not overlooking the difficulties that must be faced in these days of stress and change. The price of halftones has increased as has the cost of paper, but the HELPER is still furnished for the same price,—and what a small sum compared to its *value*! For forty years has this little messenger visited our homes, growing more necessary and valuable to the work each year. Let us celebrate its Ruby Anniversary in a royal fashion.

As chairman of the Thank Offering committee, Mrs. Whitcomb reported that the call for invitations was as enthusiastic as ever, and the amount received this year up to date, is \$1,387.17.

The noon hour was pleasantly passed at the luncheon served by the ladies of the Saco Auxiliary in Porter Memorial Hall. A delightful addition to the banquet was the post prandial exercises held in the grove. Our president, ever ready, was an ideal toastmistress. We wish every member of the W. M. S. could have enjoyed the hour of wit and wisdom. These toasts were responded to as follows: “Auld Lang Syne,” Mrs. F. S. Mosher; “Blest Be the Tie That Binds,” Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder; “New Recruits,” Mrs. Henry; “The old order changeth, giving place to new, and God fulfills Himself in many ways, lest one good custom should corrupt the world,” Miss L. A. DeMeritt; “Our Guide Rope, THE MISSIONARY HELPER,” Miss Jessie L. Waterman; “Our Hope, The Children,” Mrs. F. S. Hartley.

Glimpses of early days and incidents and loved “mothers in Israel;” the joy of comradeship in *new* relations as well as *old*; the World-Wide

Guild of new recruits; the *esprit de corps* of the W. M. S.; the importance of our guiding and uniting HELPER in our upward climb; and our children as heirs of the future, were presented in brief and pithy speeches. Besides those of our long tried workers who responded to toasts, there were present, Mrs. Avery, Mrs. Ricker, Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. Fullam, Mrs. Waterman, pioneers of the present organization. If only our ex-presidents, Mrs. Emeline B. Cheney and Mrs. Mary A. Davis could have been with us!

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. Linda V. Jordan, State President of Maine, who most happily introduced the speakers in the Symposium, "Under the New Regime." "To the Work" was sung, and the beautiful prayer in the August HELPER was read by Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook. Mrs. Durgin then gave the president's annual address, presenting in persuasive way the attractions of the "New Regime." Remembering with gratitude the beloved names of Hills, Hayes, Stewart, Ramsey, Wade, Lowell, and other later comrades of the years, we go forward loving our own dear friends none the less, but enlarging our circle by new alliances. A strong plea for the perpetuation of our Thank Offering, for the establishment of World Wide Guilds among our young people, and for the support of our MISSIONARY HELPER, found ready response in all hearts.

Mrs. Bachelder presented her topic, "Steps Forward," under these heads: What We Lose; What We Keep; What We Gain; What We Give, in the union with Baptist women.

Mrs. Annie Cobb Smith, a Baptist worker in Maine, was introduced and spoke briefly on financial matters.

Miss Sadie B. Gowen, who has recently returned from eight years' service in the Bengal-Orissa field, spoke most enthusiastically on "Our Own Corner of India," stating that our kindergarten buildings have received special praise from native inspectors; that gospel hymns are frequently sung at Hindu weddings where 200 and 300 guests may be present. An incident, amusing yet pathetic, was given of a boy so eager to own a copy of the Bible that he stole one! Miss Florence Doe, daughter of Mrs. Doe, a member of our Board of Managers, who is on furlough from mission work in Assam, was introduced and gave in a charmingly graceful manner some native songs, including an action song portraying the growing of rice.

Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook, a graduate of Storer College, who is a

member of the school board of Washington, D. C., and also of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia, spoke briefly of the increased demands made upon Storer College owing to the necessity of furnishing a broader curriculum for students who must serve in broader fields. Storer boys have been notably successful in Howard University, of which Mr. Cook is the secretary.

President McDonald gave interesting facts of the past year at Storer which will be reported in the November HELPER.

The evening session was held in the Temple and was presided over by Miss May Malvern of Massachusetts, Vice-President-at-Large. Prayer was offered by Miss Dora A. Scribner of Fiske University, after which Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook gave an address which was characterized by a college professor as "one of the most able and scholarly" ever delivered from our platform. Mrs. Cook's theme was "The Old and the New Path," of which only a brief resume can be given: The early work among the colored people was characterized by the establishment of home life, the founding of schools and churches and training for citizenship. Mrs. Cook paid high tribute to the work of northern teachers, especially that of women, during this period. The work of the present is an extension of the old, being done by colored teachers, preachers and professional men themselves, who have been trained in both southern and northern institutions. The task confronting the present generation is to be accomplished by white and colored workers laboring side by side,—to banish race prejudice and to secure to all citizens of our fair land the liberty of a true Christian democracy.

Miss Florence Doe, in the graceful draperies of an Assamese lady, transported us to India while she beautifully sang one of Kipling's songs, and a group of girls, in gay *saris*, led by Misses Gowen and Coe, sang in Oriya.

While the ties that bind the members of the F. B. W. M. S. were never stronger than at present and our past history and traditions are increasingly cherished, there was felt at this forty-fourth annual meeting less of reluctance to enter upon new relations, a spirit of glad welcome for new opportunities and friendships, and enthusiasm for the broader work opening before us.

"Oh, the homesickness of small ideas! Come out of it! Come out of it by gaining possession of an idea as large as the whole world.—F. W. G.

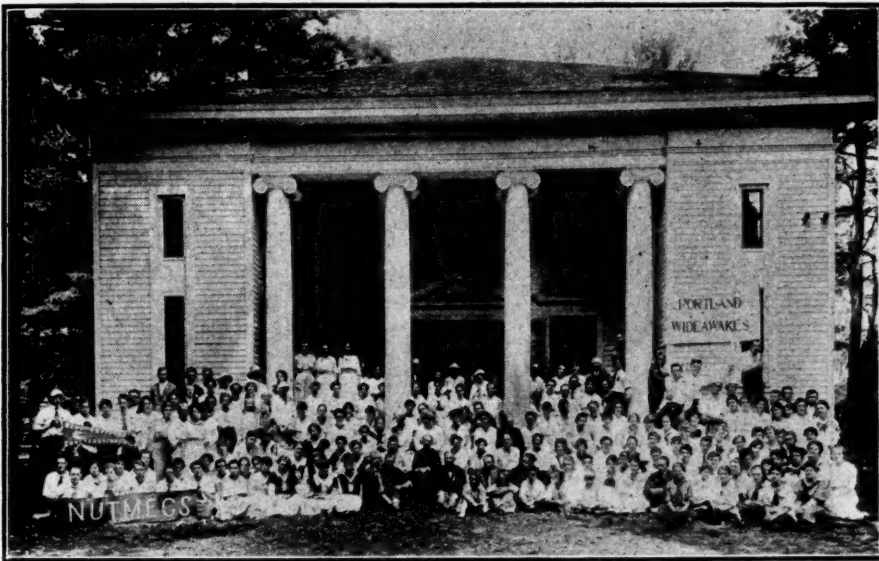
"PRAY, STUDY, GIVE"

**Eleventh Annual Conference, Missionary Education Movement
Ocean Park, Maine, July 20-29, 1917**

By ETHEL L. RAND.

If there ever was a time when men and women needed the "whole armor of God" it is now. Christians must be able to withstand in this evil day and, "having done all, to stand," "with all prayer, praying at all seasons in the Spirit."

The Missionary Education Conference called the two hundred and ten members gathered at Ocean Park this year, not to easy tasks, but to



Missionary Education Conference at Ocean Park, Maine

enlist for lives of service for Christ and for all our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

One of the most important and perhaps the most difficult undertaking is effectual praying. Real prayer, as Mr. Harry Myers insisted, is not the easy, or the repetition, variety. In one of the periods of intercession, held daily from 8.40 to 9.00 A. M., Mr. Parker, the leader, pointed out that Jesus Christ *is* Prayer. To become like Christ and to fight for God and for the needs of men and women throughout the world, the

Conference challenged us and all Christians to engage in a difficult but vital prayer life.

In order to be able to pray effectually, it is necessary to know what to pray for. An opportunity to study the needs of the world was given the delegates. Some facts were presented in the morning class periods. The young people learned of "Comrades in Service." "Makers of South America," "Mexico To-Day," "The Lure of Africa" and the "Sons of Italy" were some of the books studied under the competent leadership of Rev. C. H. Frank of Stamford, Connecticut; Mrs. A. W. Bailey, Miss Lucie M. Gardner, of Salem, Massachusetts; Rev. Enoch F. Bell, of the



The Faculty of the Missionary Education Conference

American Board; Miss Mabel E. Emerson, also of the American Board; and Mr. Frederick Palladino, Superintendent, Bucksport District, East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

How the needed information can be placed before our home churches was further shown in classes on Missionary education for children under nine; boys and girls from nine to twelve; from thirteen to sixteen; and for young men and women. There was a course for Normal Missionary Study Training and one on Principles and Methods of Missionary Education. Special classes to study Missionary Education in the Sunday

School; in the Young People's Society, and in the Women's Missionary Society, were offered, with one on the Study of Missionary Education through Dramatics. Classes on Community Service, on the Missionary Message of the Bible and on Bible Studies in Service were included. Leaders not already mentioned, were Rev. Frank M. Swaffield, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts; Miss Mary A. L. Easton, Normal Teacher, Providence Sunday School Union; Miss Susan Mendenhall, Secretary, Missionary Education Movement, and Editor of *Everyland*; Miss Emma G. Pierce, Primary Grade Superintendent, Providence, Rhode Island; Rev. Ralph A. Sherwood, of Keene, New Hampshire; Miss Helen Hunt, Secretary of the Women's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society;



On the Beach, Ocean Park. One of the Missionary Conference "Stunts"

Rev. Frederick H. Means, Secretary, Missionary Education Movement, and Miss Helen L. Willcox, Hartford, Connecticut, author of Missionary plays.

On Wednesday, the privilege was offered of spending an instructive, but particularly an inspiring evening, listening to the reproduction of a portion of the music from the Pageant of Darkness and Light, rendered by the Conference Choir. Prologue recitations from the Livingstone Episode were regiven by Mr. Enoch Bell. After this, there was the

presentation of "The Test," a vivid Missionary play written by Miss Willcox, and worth producing before any audience.

Informal addresses, full of calls to service and the joys of serving were given during the 11.30 period, each morning. Miss Charlotte French told of her work among the happy hearted but needy Italians and made clear to us some needs of our crowded cities. Dr. Strong presented his personal impressions of Christian Missions in the Orient, especially in Japan and China. Through her journal, from which Miss Florence Doe read to us, we were given an interesting glimpse of the arrival and of the daily life of a young Missionary in Assam. The Rev. Herrick A. Streeter, also a Missionary, brought to us his enthusiasm for the people of Burma, their needs and the possibilities for serving them. A view of the resources and wants of our neighbors in Mexico was presented by Mr. Bell. At a time when all organizations are putting forth extra effort, Miss Scribner made an appeal for the Churches to put in practice the Social Gospel and to do the less obvious things in the time of stress ahead of us. She emphasized the need of protecting childhood and children, of laboring men, of freedom of conscience, and of guarding against hate.

At one of the evening services, Mr. Frederick Palladino, using the text "Love ye therefore the stranger, for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt," presented a challenge to Christian America to open to the foreigner the doors of the church that future America might not be Godless but His worshippers. Secretary Harry S. Myers, in a strong address on Sunday evening, July 22, stated facts and showed urgent needs for lives of service and prayer in a world united through suffering and sacrifice.

Mr. Ralph Harlow of Smyrna in Turkey was present Saturday and Sunday, July 28-29. From personal observation, he drew vivid pictures of the suffering of the Armenians, of their noble spirit and the need of the knowledge of Christ in Turkey. On Sunday he traced for us the development of the missionary movement in America and the endeavor to spread from sea to sea the kingdom of Him who shall reign for ever and ever.

But the biggest factor of the Conference in view of future possibilities was that dominant element,—the young people. Massachusetts sent 93; Maine 61; New Hampshire 23; Connecticut 15; Rhode Island 6; and Vermont 4. There were five from outside of New England. By denominations the Baptists and Free Baptists led with 92; the Congrega-

tionalists followed with 77; the Methodists with 26; the Universalists had 7; the Presbyterians 5; Episcopalians 2; and the Lutherans 1.

In group fellowship of house-parties, sports and stunts on the beach, ocean bathing, and Vesper services by-the-sea, the beauty of the sunshine and the freshness of the ocean breeze entered in and made complete the splendid spirit which pervaded the Conference throughout the ten short days.

During this period all had been studying, not only books, but living lives, of leaders, speakers and Christian comrades. Conscious of what others had given of time, money, and above all, of life, the necessity and desire to give came to each.

The closing meeting on Sunday was a spiritual climax of the whole. From the testimonies of the delegates and of residents of Ocean Park, it was not difficult to realize that the Conference had been a powerful generator of missionary motive, which in terms of prayer, study, and sacrificial giving, was sending out recruits, each determined to gain others for the service of Christ who gave up all for the redemption of the whole world.

THE WORLD WIDE GUILD

The World Wide Guild is made up of thousands of worth while girls of our Baptist denomination who are working with God for the whole world's good, through our Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. We are not quite three years old yet, but we have learned to love this great world for which Christ died, because through our Mission Study books and programs we have learned to know better our sisters in India, China, Africa, Cuba, Mexico, and all "those other sheep" of His fold. And we are learning, gradually, the joy and blessing of stewardship, and are giving to certain specific missionaries, hospitals, and schools assigned to the young women for support, which gives us a very personal interest in them. But the most important thing we are learning is to pray daily for some definite missionary, supplementing our praying by writing occasional letters of good cheer to her. Briefly stated, that is our three-fold object.

Any organized Sunday School class may affiliate with the W. W. G. by complying with the conditions of membership: Study of Home and Foreign Missions and giving to both. We have a beautiful list of books

for our Reading Contest; a Point Standard for this year's Honor Roll, and 1830 chapters enrolled, including 23,000 girls and young women. Any Young Women's Missionary Society, King's Daughters, Camp Fire Girls or Sunday School class wishing to join sends an application to the Executive Secretary, giving names and addresses of its President and Secretary. The Society is then enrolled and a certificate of membership is sent, giving a chapter number. The first 500 were called Star Chapters, and received a very beautiful certificate. Our color is royal blue; our motto:

"Study that you may know
Know that you may love,
Love that you may give."

and our Dynamic: "Without me ye can do nothing."

The Covenant of the World Wide Guild reads as follows: "Mindful of the millions who are still in darkness because they know not that the Sun of Righteousness has arisen with healing in His wings. Remembering the words of Christ, who said, "I am the Light of the World," and "Ye are the light of the World." I gratefully pledge myself to work henceforth with Him, giving time, money, and prayer, that upon such as sit in darkness and the shadow of death, the light of Life may shine."

We have a very dainty silver pin, in the form of a star, with the letters W. W. G., cut in the centre. Our pennants are of royal blue felt with the letters in white, and our flower is a most fitting symbol of the purity, and sweetness, and gradual unfolding of true Christian womanhood, with Christ deep down in the heart—the white rose.

We have had two special programs for study, and early in September expect to have one for this year's use, based on "African Trails," for the foreign book, and "Sons of Italy," for the home book, each supplemented with notes on our Baptist work in Africa and among the Italians in the United States. In accordance with the new plan for our children's work, called the Children's World Crusade, all girls from 12 to 15 years of age will be enrolled as *Junior* Chapters of the W. W. G. There is no age limit at the other end, but we always hope that when young women are of suitable age they will join the Women's Societies.

I wish you might attend some of the Rallies which it has been my privilege to see. Oh, the exuberant enthusiasm of from 100 to 300 girls and young women united in such a glorious work for our Master! There may be several Chapters in one Church and it is often better to have

many than one, thus keeping girls of approximate ages together. These often have two meetings a year together. There are only two National officers for the Guild, Miss Helen Crissman, Field Secretary, and Miss Alma J. Noble, Executive Secretary, to whom all communications should be sent. We have a Secretary and Director in each state and association through whom the local chapters work. We are very proud of our Foreign Relations, one chapter in the Philippine Islands, three in Japan, one in India, one among the Chinese girls in Seattle, two Italians, and one among the Kiowa Indians of Saddle Mountain. Won't you join us, too? I shall be so delighted to answer any letters of inquiry, and to enroll many of you as members of this Worth While Guild family.

Faithfully yours,

ALMA J. NOBLE.

200 Bryant Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

SONG OF THE WORLD WIDE GUILD

TUNE: *Fling Out the Banner!*

Go forward, daughters of the King,
Our God Himself shall be our Guide;
Our souls are all astir with Spring,
The world is opening to us wide.

By faith and work, by toil and care,
By deep desire and spoken word,
We go to meet our Saviour's prayer,
To bring the Kingdom of the Lord.

We go to share with those who lack,
To leave no work of love undone,
That sisters, from life's joy kept back,
May see its beauty, feel its sun.

World wide our vision and our love,
In Thy great service glad and free,
Our aim, all other aims above,
Dear Lord, to be worth-while to Thee!

Then, forward, daughters of the King,
Since He Himself shall be our Guide;
Our hearts are singing with the spring,
The world stands open to us wide!

—MARY W. VASSAR.

THANKS

(It was a happy discovery that Dr. and Mrs. Durgin would celebrate their fortieth wedding anniversary while in Maine. As a *very slight* token of great appreciation of our President's splendid service and of Dr. Durgin's kindness in lending her to us so many summers, members of the W. M. S. presented them with two of Mr. Armstrong's pictures of scenes they both love. Many happy returns.—EDITOR.)

To the Dear Father who has given us the many years together; to the family friends who have made the fortieth milestone a cherished memory; to the dear Woman's Missionary Society friends who have bestowed glimpses of the stately pines and hemlocks of the Temple and the Hall, we return loving thanks.

FRANK L. and LUCY P. DURGIN.

Saco, Maine, August 6, 1917.

RECEIVED.—*Suggestions to Leaders of Junior Classes*, using "*African Adventurers*," by J. Gertrude Hutton. Full of happy suggestions about programs, maps, note books, illustrations, curios, work, accessory material and bibliography. Indispensable to Junior leaders. Price, postpaid, 6 cents.....*Missions in Africa*. Illustrated pamphlet, with map; 41 pages. Price, 10 cents. *At Dawn*, a story of West African Mother-Love, by Lydia Iseley Wellman. Illustrated pamphlet; 15 pages. Price, 5 cents. A beautiful story to read at a missionary meeting. *Lighting the Dark Continent*. An African play for children by Alice Parsons. Price, postpaid, 12 cents.....*Our Work in the Orient*. Illustrated; 256 pages. Attractively bound in heavy paper. The latest reports, information, etc., regarding all the missionaries and institutions receiving appropriations from the W. A. B. F. M. S. during 1916-17. Very desirable for all who would become familiar with this worth-while work in many lands. Price, 15 cents.....*The Children's World Crusade*. Handbook for leaders. Free for postage, also Catalog of Publications. All of the foregoing may be obtained of the W. A. B. F. M. S., Ford Building, Boston, Mass..... The 103rd Annual Report, also *The Handbook* of the A. B. F. M. S. for 1916-1917. The latter, with its stories from the fields, pictures, maps, addresses, glossary of foreign terms and general information, is of special value to our ministers and church workers. Price, 25 cents. A wealth of missionary material, including stereopticon lectures, can be obtained of the A. B. F. M. S., Ford Building, Boston, Mass. Send stamp for catalog.....*The Christian Union Quarterly*, (July, 1917), enlarged and improved, is entering upon its seventh year. An informational article on "The Progress of Federation Among the Churches," by Charles S. MacFarland, D. D., and an inspirational one on "The Higher Unity," by William Pierson Merrill, D. D., are features of this number. Price, \$1.00 a year; 50 cents a copy. Seminary House, Baltimore, Md.

(Please mention THE MISSIONARY HELPER when ordering any of the foregoing literature.)

TRY IT

Mrs. L. M. Wiggin, Chelmsford, Mass., sends the following clipping about her Mission Circle: "The entertainment, 'A Day in India,' was given first at the Central Baptist vestry, where the women had the Mission Circle of the Central Congregational Church as their guests, and so

successful was the production that the members have been called upon to repeat it seven times. They raised \$55 for missions, interested many people who were not interested before, and added seven members because of it. What one society has done others can do. Try it."

IN MEMORIAM

Beside the dead I knelt in prayer,
And felt a presence as I prayed.
Lo, it was Jesus standing there,
He smiled: "Be not afraid."

"Nay, then, tho' haply she awake
And look upon some fairer dawn,
Restore her to our arms that ache."
He smiled: "She is not gone."

"Lord, Thou hast conquered death, we
know,
Restore again to life," I said,
"This one who died an hour ago."
He smiled: "She is not dead."

"Alas! too well we know our loss,
Nor hope again our joy to touch
Until the stream of death we cross."
He smiled: "There is no such."

"Asleep, then, as Thyself didst say;
Yet Thou canst lift the lids that keep
Her prisoned eyes from ours away."
He smiled: "She doth not sleep."

"Yet our beloved seem so far
The while we learn to feel them near;
Albeit, with Thee, we trust they are."
He smiled: "And I am here."

"Dear Lord, how shall we know that
they
Still walk, unseen, with us and Thee,
Nor sleep, nor wander far away?"
He smiled: "Abide in Me."

—ROSSITER W. RAYMOND.

Mrs. Mary E. Franklin, Washington, D. C., May 30, 1917.

Mrs. Sarah Sweet Winsor, Greenville, Rhode Island, May 14, 1917.

Mrs. Julia A. Chatto, Surry, Maine, June 8, 1917.

Give me work to do, that I may forget myself and find peace in doing it for Thee. Though I am poor, send me to carry some gift to those who are poorer. Some cheer to those who are more lonely. Grant me the joy to do a kindness to one of thy little ones—*Henry Van Dyke*.

QUIZ

- Who are world patriots?
 What is one of the greatest needs today?
 How did Dr. Moffat translate I Peter 4:7?
 How many Testaments, in how many languages, have been distributed among the fighting forces?
 What is the story of a cavalry officer?
 What does the history of missions show?
 To what task are we dedicated?
 What is our challenge?
 What is the second home-place started by our people in India?
 What dear associations cluster around it?
 How large is the Christian community?
 What happened to a student in Hillsdale College?
 What four pictures does she describe? And what appeal does she make?
 Who is Rajkumari?
 What is the story of God's wonderful leading? How did it come out?
 What is rich in inspiration?
 How does Mrs. Hartley point a moral?
 What did one woman learn through her missionary society and magazine?
 What is the great duty?
 An army of 50,000,000 men and women—for what?
 Who had a happy visit at Storer?
 What did she find?
 What was a joyous service and why? A beautiful surprise? A question readily answered?
 What anniversary is being celebrated?
 Who and where is a busy young lady?
 Where have they "suffered terribly from weddings?"
 "Can you believe it?"—What?
 What is satisfactory and commendable?
 Of what does our Treasurer feel confident?
 What aim are we asked to accept?
 Which auxiliary made the largest contribution in June?
 "My Creed"—what is it?

(Answers may be found in the August HELPER).



INDIA NOTES

(Arranged by Miss Fenner)

Miss Porter writes in May from Chandipore, where she is spending her vacation: "Oh, it is just beautiful here this year! We had a real typhoon two weeks ago and frequent showers since, so that May is not as hot as usual. And all the sand around the Bay of Bengal is not piling up at our door and on our dining tables. The cool breeze is blowing and the waves are getting bigger and more delightful every tide. I was in bathing this morning and it was glorious with promise of still better things in the next few days. I delight in a place like this! The sun

shines, the wind blows, the tide comes and goes, and there are only enough people about to make life happy and free from loneliness.

"The Murphys are up in their house. Mr. Long is in the little Wyman bungalow, and Ida Holder, Doris and I are in the Kennan bungalow. Ruth Daniels is coming out for a few days next week. Then she and I go to entertain Sinclair Orphanage, while Dr. Mary comes out for two or three weeks. Miss Barnes, who is in Balasore with Dr. Mary now, will be going to the hills soon. The Colletts and Frosts are in Darjeeling for two months. Mrs. Frost writes that she is getting stronger. Miss Coombs is at Ootacomund. We saw her off on the midnight train as she went through. Mr. Krause is staying in Balasore all of May. He is getting hold of the work well and is fast making his place as a missionary here. We are all looking forward eagerly to Miss Thacker's coming—and the Oxrieders. It is good to see people coming. For three months we saw them going, now the tide is beginning to turn."

Mrs. Murphy writes of Miss Butts: "She went so suddenly. Mr. Murphy was arranging with Cook & Sons for her passage to the U. S. A. But she took the aeroplane straight to the eternal Homeland. At the Yearly Meeting in October she seemed so burdened with messages for the women—I wonder now if she may not have felt it was her last opportunity; of course, she was to leave soon for America.

"It was at the Mela time. A handful of us missionaries were there at her Santipore home. She had just before been taken to the Calcutta hospital. A telegram came on Wednesday saying that Miss Butts was in a critical condition. Then no more word. Friday afternoon a great wave of depression came over Santipore. Women were weeping and telling how good Missababa had been to them. I felt it and said to my colleagues that I believed she had gone. We left Saturday morning. No word from Calcutta. But when I reached home I found the telegram saying, 'Miss Butts died at 5 p. m. today (Friday). Funeral from the Scottish church at 4 p. m. Saturday.' Mr. Murphy had written across the telegram, 'Gone to the funeral.'

"Mr. Thompson arranged it all, and it was such a great help to us. Dr. Mary and the Howards were in Calcutta. The Browns, the Colletts, Mr. Frost, Miss Porter, Dr. Murphy and four of the Indian men went up for the funeral. All said it was a beautiful burial. The native brothers were deeply impressed. One of them said that it seemed so

God had buried her by His angels. She who always had had *nothing* herself was buried like a King's daughter!

"Her last message was, 'Give my love to everybody.'"

Dr. Mary writes of Miss Butts: "Everything and everybody misses her. We are realizing it more and more as the days go by. Mrs. Collett and I were in Santipore over Sunday, and in the afternoon attended the memorial service in the church where she had met with the people so many times. Several of the native friends had been asked to speak, and one after another they told of Miss Butts' life among them, her many benevolences, her much loving kindness to one and all, her words of admonition and encouragement, her interest on scientific and educational matters, her helpfulness, and hopefulness and cheer. They will greatly miss her ready sympathy, help, and service by day and night. We have been so fortunate as to secure the services of a missionary for Santipore, who will live there and later bring his wife and child."

SOWING AND REAPING

Rev. C. A. Collett writes from Balasore: "This year has been one of the most enjoyable we have had because of the visible results. About ten years ago, while in country work, we baptized one man and all rejoiced that we could see some of the fruits of our seed-sowing while in our tent life. This was the first convert we had ever baptized while on tour. Touring is generally considered the seed-sowing time but this year twenty-three were baptized. I believe the time is not far distant when we shall not only go sowing but shall reap as we sow.

"One of the most enjoyable times I had was at Nilgiri, the capital of a small feudatory state, fourteen miles from Balasore. At this place eleven years ago there was not one Christian. When we worked on the Jagannath car festival day, the people bought our books and tore them up in the streets. We offered them more books and told them that for every book they tore up there would be a Christian convert. During my visit in December some of the leading men of the place came to my tents to purchase Bibles and hymn books and they often came to discuss religious topics. On invitation I showed the stereopticon views between the temple and the Rajah's palace, so all could see and hear. For four nights, consecutively, crowds came to the superintendent's quarters to see the views and hear the gospel message. And the crowning event was when,

on Empire day, they asked me to preside at a mass meeting and give a speech before all the gentlemen and scholars of the city.

"There are now nine Christians in Nilgiri and we had several spiritual feasts together. I am arranging to open an outstation there and place as shepherd of the little flock, a man who may be able to gather in the 'other sheep I have, which are not of this fold.' I believe Christ has many believers in Nilgiri who are simply waiting for courage to take the stand which will mean ostracism for them from all that they have held dear to themselves. It takes more courage to 'hit the trail' in India than it does in America."

TREASURER'S NOTES

We missed the members of our W. M. S. family circle who were not with us at annual meeting. Inquiries concerning this, that, or the other absent worker passed frequently about, and we longed to share *immediately* with each one the informing, the enjoyment, the blessing, which was ours.

How near, how *actual* our work seemed, as our Corresponding Secretary, Miss Fenner, by means of the annual reports, took us to Storer and Bengal-Orissa, and as our Miss Gowen, so recently returned, told us of the work, *her* work, *our* work! Live coals of information and actuality, these! If only the days of annual and board meetings could have been lengthened, that we might have heard more!

Miss Gowen, whose cheery countenance suggested subtracted rather than added years, since we last saw her, showed and sold us laces and handwork of our girls in Sinclair Boarding, or Widows' Home, at far from war time prices. Miss Coe's collection of exquisite linen laces, from Mrs. Kennan's lace-making classes, was as reasonably dispensed, likewise handkerchiefs, bought by Mrs. Burkholder upon her recent return. Here was a well wrought scarf, the work of Sarada, Mr. Ira Clynick's adopted daughter; laces crocheted by Kumie in Widows' Home, etc., etc., etc. Let these "and-so-forths" stand for *your* adopted daughter, and *yours*, and *yours*, for the work of a goodly number found place there.

And, by the way, pictures of many of "our girls" will soon find their way to their supporters. Dr. Mary has just sent some on, though as yet

not all sent have been received. Miss Coe, however, is eagerly hoping that it is simply a matter of delay, not of loss.

Miss Florence Doe, recently returned from Assam, our Free Baptist co-worker, with her usual generosity, added greatly to the satisfaction of our sessions, rendering for us our own and native songs.

The interest of Storer, and its sons and daughters, could not have been more strongly served than by its daughter,—our beloved friend and comrade—Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook, and President McDonald, Mrs. McDonald being detained by illness.

Weren't we satisfied in, and proud of Storer and its work! Did we not long to *hasten* the day when justice, opportunity and brotherly love should be the portion of our colored friends?

The backward glimpses which came to us from the toast responses at close of the luncheon inspired and heartened us, though a bit of sadness necessarily glinted in and out like silver threads in the tapestry weaving.

The spirit which permeated the entire session was that of thankfulness; of joy in our heritage and the accomplishment of the years; and of determination to honor it by *large endeavor* and a *generous entering in*, to the enlarged work.

You will remember we have previously explained that the Home Mission Union action taken first by the W. A. B. H. M. Society, and now by our F. B. W. M. Society, came too late for appropriation for Storer to be included in those of the former Society for 1916-1917, therefore our F. B. W. M. S. is wholly responsible for its usual work for Storer until March 31, 1918, and accordingly the usual appropriation was voted at annual meeting. This means that your gifts for Storer will come forward as usual to our treasury until March 31, 1918, after which time they will go to the W. A. B. H. M. Society Treasurers, whose addresses will later be given.

Will not the officers of the states which are approaching their annual meetings seek the fullest possible information with reference to present methods of working, and shall not this knowledge be passed on from these officers to each other in turn, until it reaches those of the local auxiliary? *United* action strengthens any work, and definite instruction is a means to that end, especially in the midst of what has proven to be a perplexing time of adjustment. As a W. M. S. we desire to be a *strong* link in the chain of *united service*.

Our HELPER, through all the years, has served us *royally*, true always to its name in its ministry. In our *joy* of the intimacy of its message, we may well liken it to a round-robin *family letter*, no less *yours*, no less mine, because shared with others. Never was it more necessary to us than at this time of entering-in. One sentiment prevails as to the *vital* importance of its continuance, for the present, at least.

Serve its interest, and let it serve you.

Cordially,

EDYTH R. PORTER.

47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.

GENERAL SUBSCRIPTION AGENT'S NOTES

The morning's mail brings me the notification that I am asked to continue to serve as subscription agent for the HELPER. I accept with the same feeling of deep responsibility and earnest purpose with which I first took over the work.

I do not guarantee to lengthen the subscription list or increase the income. The times are not propitious for the realization of anything of that kind. Everything is high—everything that enters into the cost of our magazine, and everything else. And there is need as never before for money to alleviate suffering and procure necessities.

But I do offer and agree, for the coming months as in the months that are gone, to bring whatever of energy and ability I may be able to the service of the HELPER and what it represents.

I was sorry not to be at annual meeting, but it was quite impossible for me to be away from Boston at that time.

With cordial greeting,

A. M. MOSHER.

107 Howland St., Boston, Mass.

Ten minutes spent in Christ's society every day, ay, two minutes, if it be face to face and heart to heart, will make the whole day different.
—Henry Drummond.

"The great outlook for the future for missions is the outlook of opportunity. There are no doors closed now, except by our own willful hands; no limiting horizons of vision, except to eyes that are shut or short sighted. But if God writes 'opportunity' on one side of these doors, he writes 'responsibility' on the other side."

Helps for Monthly Meetings

"In all effort for missions, education is the essential foundation upon which is built Christian character that expresses itself in prayer, gifts and service."

TOPICS FOR 1917-1918.

September—Welcome Day.
October— Our Work in the Orient.
November—Home Missions.
December—"The White Man in Africa."
January—"The Bulu."
February—I. Prayer and Praise. II. "The Bulu and God."
March—"The Ten Tyings."
April—"The New Tribe."
May— Thank Offering.
June—"The New Custom."
July— Field Day.

HELPS FOR MONTHLY MEETINGS

OCTOBER—OUR WORK IN THE ORIENT.

"Far down the ages comes that voice,
Majestic with command,
'Proclaim my grace to all the race
In every distant land'."

SUGGESTIVE PROGRAM.

HYMN.—"Open My Eyes That I May See."—(*Missionary Hymnal*, page 33.)

SCRIPTURE READING.—John 17:20-26.

THE LESSON.—Our Work in the Orient.

[This program is based on that very interesting book, "Our Work in the Orient," (price 15 cents, W. A. B. F. M. S., Ford Building, Boston, Mass). The aim of our study is to get just a glimpse of the magnitude of the foreign work, in which we have a new interest. It includes the always dear people and activities in the Bengal-Orissa Field, which are still our special care. Let us have a veritable school, dividing our auxiliary membership into classes with a teacher, each class presenting one country in the order indicated in the

text book, the teacher pointing out the country on the map. Write on blackboard three times, "Our Work in the Orient," underlining *Our* in the first line, *Work* in the second, and *Orient* in the third.]

LEADER, pointing to the lines on blackboard, gives the gist, in her own words, of the "Foreword" to *Our Work in the Orient*.

CLASS A.—Recites on Burma, each scholar giving one significant fact under the heading, "Did it ever strike you?" (Page 8.)

(The classes should come forward and face the rest of the school, all singing together the stanza indicated at the close of each recitation.)

TEACHER OF THE CLASS.—Gives results of Baptist work in Burma, page 52.

CLASS B.—Recites on Assam, page 54.

TEACHER.—Results in Assam, page 66.

(Note that Miss Florence Doe is a missionary to Assam.)

STORY OF A REMARKABLE PERSONALITY in our own Field, Chundra Lela, told briefly and sympathetically, in costume, if possible. See January HELPER.

CLASS C.—Recites on India, page 68.

TEACHER.—Results in India, page 106.

(Note greeting to F. B. Missionary in Bengal-Orissa, in the text book.)

THE STORY OF RAJKUMARI, told by a young woman. See August HELPER.

CLASS D.—Recites on China, page 116.

TEACHER.—Results in China, page 150.

CLASS E.—Recites on Japan, page 152.

TEACHER.—Results in Japan, page 169.

CLASS F.—Recites on Africa, page 172.

TEACHER.—Results in Africa, page 179.

Very brief mention of work in Philippines and France, and a statement in regard to the share of Baptist women in Union Colleges in the East.

LEADER.—"Did It Ever Strike You?" Page 221, all singing at close the suggested stanza of "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations."

Practical Christian Living

All centuries, all races, both sexes, all ages find in the Master their virtues consummated. The white light in him gathers up all the split and partial colors of our little spectrums. As we consider the significance of this, His word possesses a fresh and persuasive meaning when He says, "Ye call me Teacher and Lord, and ye do well, for so am I."—*Harry Emerson Fosdick.*

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OUR QUIET HOUR

(10 A. M.)

THE LARGER PRAYER

"At first I prayed for light;
Could I but see my way,
How gladly, swiftly would I walk
To everlasting day!

"And then I asked for faith;
Could I but trust my God,
I'd live enfolded in His peace,
Though foes were all abroad!

"And next I prayed for strength,
That I might tread the road
With firm, unfaltering feet, and win
The heavens' serene abode!

"But now I pray for love—
Deep love to God and man;
A living love that will not fear,
However dark His plan!

"And light and strength and faith
Are opening everywhere,
God only waited for me till
I prayed the larger prayer!"

—*Selected.*

FRIENDSHIP

We talk frequently about friendship and the world has always paid honor to this relationship. Some of the finest passages in all history are the stories of noble friendships. The qualities which belong to an ideal friend have been treated by many writers through all the centuries. But Jesus Christ brought into the world new standards and ideals for everything in human life. What is friendship as interpreted by Jesus? What are the qualities of a true friend as illustrated in the life of Jesus? It is evident that he lifted the ideal of friendship to a height to which it never before had been exalted. He made all things new. All duties had a new meaning after Jesus taught and lived and died and rose. The things he said that men should live for were not the things which men had been living for before he came. Jesus presented a conception of friendship which surpassed all the classical models. In His farewell to His disciples

He gave them what He called a "new commandment." The commandment was that his friends should love one another. Why was this called a "new commandment?" Was there no commandment before Jesus came and gave it that good men should love one another? Was this rule of love new?

In the form in which Jesus gave it, this commandment never had been given before. There was a precept in the law of Moses which at first seems to be the same as that which Jesus gave, but it was not the same.

It reads, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." "As thyself" was the standard. Men were to love themselves and then love their neighbors as themselves. That was the old commandment. But the new is different. "As I have loved you." This is its measure. Did Jesus think of his own comfort, his own safety, in order to show his love to his disciples? No, Jesus in introducing a new pattern of love, forgot himself, denied himself, did not save his own life.

Thus the standard of friendship which Jesus set for his followers in his time and for us now, was indeed new. Instead of "love thy neighbor as thyself," it was "love as Jesus loved." And He loved unto the uttermost.

So in the history of Christianity the type of friendship which Jesus introduced was a new thing in the world. It was new in its motive and inspiration. The love in the law of Moses was inspired by Sinai, but the love of the Christian law gets its inspiration from Calvary.

Of course men loved God in the Old Testament days, for there were many revelations of His goodness and His grace and love in the teachings of those who spoke for Him to men, but these revelations cannot be compared with the manifestation of God which was made in Jesus Christ.

There was also in the Old Testament days love in the world. Parents loved their children. Friendship existed between individuals, but the mutual love of Christians which began to show itself on the day of Pentecost surpassed anything that had ever been known. It was a new love. It was a little of heaven's life let down upon earth. Jesus came to establish the Kingdom of Heaven upon the earth. He came to make heaven in the hearts of His believing ones. This is what the new friendship is.—DELIA ESPARZA, in *Missionary Tidings*.

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THE LITTLE SCHOOLMASTER

BY ABBIE HALL FAIRFIELD

Once upon a time, and not so very long ago, away across the ocean in Africa, lived two boys, sons of one father, but of two different mothers; for they belonged to a tribe in which men have many wives. But these brothers loved each other, and the elder brother had great influence over the younger. Now to the tribe to which these Bulu boys belonged, Christian missionaries had come, and both boys were in the mission school. The story I am telling you—it is not my story, but the story told by the white woman who has lived as missionary in Africa, and who knows these boys and girls as we know our own friends—is the story of how these two boys passed their vacation. When you have read the outline here, you will want to read the whole story, in the book she has written for the Junior mission study, "African Adventurers"; and you will not forget the name of this brave, loving, wise woman—Jean Kenyon Mackenzie. She has recently gone back to Africa after a vacation at home, in California. When her friends told her how they feared for her the dangers of the voyage in these dreadful days of war, she said, "When people are called to the front, now, they go," and took the first ship.

Now we will read the story of the two boys. Mejo was thirteen years old, and Assam sixteen or seventeen. Assam was so straight and tall that the nickname his friends gave him means "He stands like a dagger." He could write well, he owned a "Book of the Word of God" in the Bulu language, and a lantern—the only lantern in the town. His father was very proud of him, and all the people admired him; and they loved him, too, because they said, "Strange thing about Assam—he is not proud." The story begins just before the school vacation; it was decided that some of the oldest and most advanced of the schoolboys should go to the neighboring villages where the missionaries had not been, and teach the people to read, and also to tell them about God and the Bible; enough of the older boys were willing to do this. People to whom the story of God's love is new always want to tell about it to their friends. Have you noticed that, in reading the stories of mission work?

Each big boy was to take a younger boy with him, to help him and to keep him from being too lonely. Mejo felt that he ought to go with Assam, who was going as a matter of course. He could go, he knew enough to teach, so why should he not go? He seems not to have thought of himself at all. But little Mejo wanted his vacation, and he was a little afraid to go. So he talked it all over with Assam, but that night he could not decide. The next day his little sister, who had been given as a wife to the headman of a village where the missionaries had not been, came home for a visit. She came partly to ask that a teacher be sent to her husband's people. Next night all the men met in the "palaver house" (the place for business, preaching and general talk) and Assam told of the great things white men, Christian men, had done in Africa. Mejo listened, and he wanted to do something; he thought of himself as Livingston; he believed he could do great deeds. He agreed to go with Assam to teach, and the two boys were sent to the sister's town. I cannot tell you of the adventures by the way, of the visit to the country of the dwarfs, of the lonely camps at night, and the broad river to cross—you will read all this in the book; but I must tell you of the school they taught. A schoolhouse and hut for a home had been built for them; many boys and young men came to the school, and though girls were not supposed to need to read, their little sister was allowed to go. The school prospered and many came to their religious services. But the eldest son of the headman was jealous of Assam, and when the headman fell sick, and the doctor could not help him, the boy made it appear that Assam had worked a charm upon him. Then the two boys were in great danger, for the people still feared the charms of their tribe. But Assam proposed to take the headman to the white doctor in his own village; and as he wanted to go, the matter was soon arranged. Assam must go with him, but the school must not be left. So Mejo stayed; and with no thought of himself, conquering all his fears, ignoring the cruelty of the son of the headman, he held his school together, kept on with the Bible services, and when at length Assam came back, with the sick man cured, and it was time to go back to his own school, he had "two-tens of boys" who could read, and all the village had become his friends.

How did he do it? How did he conquer fear, and laziness, and selfishness, and pride? When you have read the whole story you will understand, and you will see the white soul of the black boy. And I think, for courage and love and faithfulness, you will rank him high among the African adventurers whose story the book also tells.

You will like the way the story is told, too, for Miss Mackenzie simply translates the Bulu words, keeping their forms and style, and you feel very near to these black people as you read. And if, when you have read the book, you ask father and mother to read it too, I am sure they will thank you.

Biddeford, Maine.

LATEST WORDS.—Since the foregoing pages were filled many interesting things have happened at Ocean Park. The meeting of General Conference Board brought widely separated workers together. It was a pleasure to welcome at "The Hermitage" Mrs. Durgin of Minnesota, President Mauck, Mich., Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Price, New York, Dr. and Mrs. Ford, Maine, and many other friends. On the evening devoted to Woman's work Mrs. Durgin presided; Miss Gladys Doe, prospective missionary to India, sang; Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder told of the successive steps and final accomplishment of union of the F. B. W. M. S. and W. A. B. F. M. S., and Miss Ruth French gave a most interesting address on her work in Japan.....We are always happy to hear about the daughters of our well-known workers. Mrs. Frankie Griffin Merson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Z. F. Griffin, Keuka Park, N. Y., is doing telling and greatly appreciated work as New York State Woman Suffrage Organizer and Lecturer, in the department of church work. She speaks from one to three times nearly every Sunday and is constantly busy giving addresses before church or reform organizations, writing for papers or to people.....Miss Edna Coldren, daughter of our former missionaries, sailed from New York, July 11th, as a Red Cross nurse. Her address is U. S. Army Nurse, Base Hospital No. 17, American Expeditionary Forces, via New York. We hope to hear from her again.....Let us emphasize the fact that we must send to the W. A. B. F. M. S., Ford Building, Boston, Mass., for literature. See third page of cover for new addresses. Send stamp for the catalog of publications. If anyone thinks the study of Africa is *dry*, just send for a copy of "The Lure of Africa" (price, paper covers, 40 cents)! Junior Superintendents, are you equipped with a copy of "African Adventures," the little "Guide," and that wholly delightful magazine for boys and girls—*Everyland*? not long to *hasten* the day when justice, opportunity and brotherly love turns!—EDITOR.)

Contributions

"Money speaks all languages, there is no limit to the geographical range of its influence."

F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for July, 1917

F. B. W. M. S. contributors should carefully designate how their money should be used, whether for Home Missions, Foreign Missions, or the Contingent Fund, remembering that the latter will be used by the Society where it is most needed.

MAINE

E Livermore F B W M S, add'l T O, sal'y	
Miss Coombs	\$ 2 00
Lewiston, Main St Aux, T O for C F	41 26
(\$12 com L M Mrs M A Richardson;	
\$20 L M Mrs L B Costello; \$9.26 toward	
L M Miss Mattie Hinckley)	
Main St Aux for Domestic Science	
Bldg. Storer	25 00
Main St, Sustaining Fund, "Helper"	3 00
Lisbon, F B Aux	19 67
Lisbon Falls F B W M S for sal'y Miss	
L C Coombs	6 00
Newport, Mrs. Elizabeth Kinney for	
child in S O	4 00
No Lebanon C R for Brown Babies in	
S O	2 30
Ocean Park, Annual Meeting Collection	11 18
Toilers-by-the-Sea, add'l T O 6.00;	
dues 2.00	8 00
Portland, 1st F B Ch, Aux T O Storer \$1;	
Cont Fund 43.50; Bethany Class for	
Ramoni Mullick 25.00; S S Class of	
Mrs C F Jose for sal'y Miss A Porter	
50.00; S S Class Miss Sawyer for	
Hemma 6.25; C R for S O 6.00	131 75
(L M's Mrs Wallace McDonald, Miss	
Helen Dunham, Miss Elizabeth Da-	
vies)	
Scarboro S S for S O	2 50
West Buxton C R	3 05
Maine Total, \$260.31	

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Center Sandwich F B Aux for C F	6 00
Franklin, Miss Flanders, ½ F M, ½ H M	5 00
Laconia, Mrs R W Wiley, T O ½ F, ½	
H M	5 00
Loudon Ladies' Aid	5 00
Pittsfield C R for S O	4 00
Rochester, Katherine and Alice Hartley	
for share in sal'y Miss Barnes	4 00
N H Total, \$29.00	

MASSACHUSETTS

Lowell, Paige St Bapt W M S. T O for	
Storer College	25 00
Melrose, Delta Class for share sal'y Miss	
Barnes	4 00
Mass Total, \$29.00	

RHODE ISLAND

No Sterling, Ct Union Ch, for S O on	
church appor (dues H M; M A, E A	
& L P Slater 4.16)	7 16
Pascoag F B C R for 2 shares sal'y Miss	
Barnes	8 00
R I Total, \$15.16	

NEW YORK

Pt Dickinson Bapt Ch, Pri Dpt for child	
in S O	5 00
N Y Total, \$5.00	

MICHIGAN

Algansee, Storer 2.00; T O 5.00; Brown	
Babies 2.00	9 00
Battle Creek, Mrs H P Stone for Storer	3 25
Green Oak, Storer	2 25
Union W W G (Joy Chapter) for Barba-	
does	8 75
Mich Total, \$23.25	

MINNESOTA

Brainard Mission Soc'y, T O for Storer	22 00
Nashville Aux, T O 41.00 ½ F M, ½ H M;	
10.00 F M	51 00
(L M's Mrs Clara Dunkinson and	
Mrs Lila Smith)	
Winnebago, Aux (T O 71.61), sal'y Mrs	
Holder 10.00; Storer College 71.76	81 76
F B Prim Dpt for sal'y Miss Barnes	4 00
Mrs F L Durgin, Cont Fund "Helper"	
3.00; Sustaining Fund do 2.00	5 00
Minn Total, \$163.76	

TEXAS

Kurtin Church for sal'y Mrs Holder	12 49
Texas Total, \$12.49	

Total Receipts, July, 1917 \$537 97

EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer

47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.

Per May Malvern, Assistant Treasurer

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath the sum of — to the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine.

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